I. Restriction requirement

A restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 was issued in the subject application.

The alleged groups of inventions are as follows:

Group I, claims 31-50, 53, 54, 56, 57 and 63, drawn to a system for computer-aided

management of numerically controlled industrial processing machine, are classified in class 700,

subclass 174.

Group II, claims 51, 52, 55, 58-62 and 64-84, drawn to a method for computer-aided

production and provision of machine-related context in a host computer in communication via a

data communication link with a client computer, are classified in class 700, subclass 169.

Group III, claims 85-93, drawn to an apparatus for computer-aided provision of machine-

related context to a client computer in communication with a processing machine operated by a

customer, are classified in class 709, subclass 203.

For examination purposes, Applicants elect the invention of Group I with traverse. In the

event the restriction is made final, Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional

applications directed to the inventions of non-elected Groups II and III.

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## II. Conclusion

It is submitted that Applicants have completely responded to the restriction requirement.

The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be due in connection with this communication to Deposit Account 23-1703.

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